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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

By this paper, claims 1-14 are cancelled without prejudice. The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-14. (Cancelled)

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15. **(Original – Allowed)** A fluid system suitable for use in connection with a well system that includes a well pump configured for fluid communication with a wellhead by way of a well pump discharge line, the fluid system comprising:

- a cessation product system that includes:
 - a pump configured for fluid communication with the well pump by way of the wellhead;
 - a pump controller configured for operable communication with the pump;
 - a cessation product reservoir in fluid communication with the pump and configured to hold a volume of cessation product; and
 - a sensor configured to operably communicate with the pump controller; and
- a fluid system component configured for fluid communication with the well pump and the wellhead, the fluid system component comprising:
 - a body that at least partially defines a fluid passageway; and
 - a sacrificial element at least indirectly attached to the body and cooperating with the body to facilitate definition of the fluid passageway, the sacrificial element being configured for preferential failure, relative to the body, in response to the occurrence of a predefined condition.

16. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the cessation product is selected from the group consisting of: concrete; cement; latex; and, drilling mud.

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17. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sensor is configured to detect at least one of: the presence of a predetermined substance; and, the concentration of a predetermined substance.

18. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sacrificial element is integral with the body of the fluid system component.

19. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sacrificial element comprises a plurality of grooves formed in the body so as to substantially define the perimeter of a blowout patch.

20. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sacrificial element comprises a window of predetermined geometry defined in the body.

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21. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the predefined condition comprises exertion of a specified pressure differential upon the sacrificial element.

22. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sacrificial element has a thickness substantially less than the wall thickness of the body.

23. **(Original – Allowed)** The fluid system as recited in claim 15, wherein the sacrificial element is discrete from the body of the fluid system component.